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**Velesco Pharmaceutical Services Expands Core Scientific Team**

**(February 6, 2009; Ann Arbor, MI)** – [Velesco Pharmaceutical Services](#), located in a state-of-the-art former Pfizer facility in Ann Arbor, Michigan, is proud to announce enhanced scientific and leadership capabilities with the addition of Peter Angus, Pharm.D., Ph.D., and Lisa Crandall, MS. Dr. Angus and Ms. Crandall are a part of the core scientific team at Velesco, a contract research organization supporting early stage product development work for pharmaceutical companies. Both employees will increase the level of scientific expertise at Velesco through their extensive work experiences and educational backgrounds.

As the new Director of Analytical Chemistry for Velesco, Dr. Angus will be responsible for management of analytical laboratory operations and technical projects. With nearly a decade of experience working in the pharmaceutical industry, Dr. Angus has extensive experience in analytical method development and validation, cleaning verification and validation, project and laboratory management, and management of analytical support for clinical supplies manufacture.

Dr. Angus joined Velesco after working for seven years in the pharmaceutical sciences division of Pfizer Global R&D, and more than two years working for Pharmacia and G. D. Searle in analytical development. While at Pfizer, he served as the scientific lead and technical expert for a GMP product release laboratory. Dr. Angus was also responsible for numerous scientific and technical projects supporting development of compounds from discovery to Phase III, which also included management responsibilities for a group of analytical scientists. He holds a Pharm. D. from The University of Michigan and a Ph.D. in Pharmaceutical Chemistry from The University of Kansas.

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Joining Velesco as the Senior Analytical Scientist is Lisa Crandall, MS. Ms. Crandall brings over seven years of experience in cGMP and cGLP environments, and will focus on the development and validation of analytical methods for Velesco. She was formerly with Pfizer Global R&D as an analytical scientist in the pharmaceutical sciences division.

Ms. Crandall's expertise spans the drug development spectrum from early stage development and validation of stability-indicating methods for the release of drug substance and drug product, to later stage projects focused on the detection of residual drugs on manufacturing equipment. Ms. Crandall holds a Master of Science degree from The University of Nebraska Medical Center, a Bachelor of Science degree from The University of Michigan, and is a member of the American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists.

"Peter and Lisa have the core experience and expertise in the pharmaceutical industry to serve our growing client base," commented Dave Barnes, Ph.D., CEO and co-founder of Velesco. "I look forward to our next phase of growth—we have a stellar team of scientists dedicated to providing our clients with outstanding service and results."

Velesco Pharmaceutical Services was founded in 2007 by pharmaceutical industry veterans and provides drug development companies with the full range of early drug development services including preformulation/formulation, analytical method development/validation, GMP clinical supplies and consulting. Velesco's services are designed to ensure clients reach the full therapeutic potential of their new medicines.

***About Velesco Pharmaceutical Services***

Velesco was formed in 2007 by former Pfizer Michigan R&D colleagues and focuses on supporting the early stage work of pharmaceutical companies. Velesco's founders, analytical chemists and drug formulation experts are pharmaceutical industry veterans with a track record of moving compounds through this significant phase of the drug development process. Velesco works with state of the art equipment in a high-quality (former Pfizer) facility. Velesco delivers on time high quality products and services, assistance with the FDA registration process and insightful consultation.

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